REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed December 24, 2008, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement as follows: Invention I (claims 1-31) drawn to a method and infrastructure for configuring a data processing system that interacts with multiple data sources via a set of respective management agents comprising creating configuration information used for modifying the data processing system and automatically applying the configuration information to modify the data processing system by making a change to the set of management agents, Invention II (claims 32-34) drawn to a method for configuring a data processing system comprising importing the configuration information to the data processing system, wherein the configuration information includes a configuration description and applying the configuration information to the data processing system by comparing the configuration description and modifying the data processing system based on the comparison result and, Invention III (claim 35) drawn to a data structure comprising first data expressed in the mark-up language that specifies a description for configuring the core storage area and second data expressed in the mark-up language that specifies a description for configuring the at least one management agent.

Applicants hereby elect the claims associated with Invention 1 (claims 1-31) without traverse for prosecution at this time. Claims 32-35 are withdrawn from consideration, without prejudice to the possibility of reinstatement during the prosecution of the subject application, and without prejudice to the filing of subsequent continuation or divisional applications.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that pending claims 1-31 are now in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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